

HATCHINGS FROM THE BOOBY HATCH

All persons who have had the nerve to change 'em this early are to be decorated with the Iron Cross. Presentation of the crosses will take place in front of the court house at midnight Thursday.

Couldn't Be Saved.
(From the Madera, Calif., Tribune.)
The fire truck made a quick run to the scene, but the fire had gained too much headway to permit of anything being done to save it.

LIGHT OCCUPATIONS.
Eating soup with a fork.
Talking to the wooden Indian in front of a cigar store.
Counting the beans in a bowl of bean soup.
Writing this column.

Aerobats.
(From Collins Weekly.)
The old fellow laid his hands in patriarchal fashion on the heads of the children, while they, not looking up and silent, kissed the back of his hand, and, clinging to their mothers' skirts and whimpering, were hurried away.

LIFE'S LITTLE LIES.
"Our machine guns moved down the way by the thousands."
"Carranza troops are co-operating in every way possible in the Villa chase."
"Our Johnnie is so polite around the house."

Nothing in a Name.
(From the Wakefield, Kan., Star.)
There will be no meeting of the Good Health Society Tuesday evening because of the illness of so many of the members.

"Hen's" Little Joke.
The newspapers convey to us the information that Henry Ford has contributed \$887.04 to the Navy League. Shades of William J. Bryan's ancestors!

Whether are we drifting?
Such exclamations might come from persons who did not read the newspaper accounts of the gift. For the benefit of those who did not peruse the illuminating press despatches, we give the facts as follows:

"Hen" paid the \$887.04 to a Chicago newspaper for a page advertisement which dwelt upon the folly of preparedness and "cussed out" the Navy League and everybody else who believes in buying a shotgun or two. The newspaper turned the money over to the Navy League. The league sent "Hen" the following telegram of thanks: "We thank you for your contribution of \$887.04. Keep up the good work."
"Hen" always would have his little joke.

A report from Boston a few days

MOTOR STEAMERS.

COPENHAGEN, April 22.—The Norwegian government has purchased three motor steamers, the Bandon, Chumpon and Pangani from the East Asiatic Company of Copenhagen, for the sum of \$9,000,000. The ships will be employed exclusively for the service of the Norwegian state supply commission.

EASTER SERVICES IN CHURCHES OF SALEM

Special Programs for Today to Be Given by All the Denominations.

SALEM, April 22.—The Methodist Episcopal Sunday school will make an offering for missions at the Easter services tomorrow. A prize Bible will be given to the class making the largest cash offering. There will be a special program in the evening with an address by the Rev. L. B. Bowers, district superintendent.

At the United Brethren church, the Rev. F. O. Haddabaugh, as supply for the day, will preach in the morning. There will be a special program by the Sunday school and the Christian Endeavor Society at 8 o'clock in the evening. A 6 o'clock morning prayer service will be held.

Attends Meeting.
D. L. Perine, county president, and C. A. Schutte, chairman of the executive committee of the county Sunday school association, attended the executive committee meeting at Clarksburg Friday.

Sell Flowers.
A number of the members of the Pocahontas Camp Fire Girls successfully sold flowers for Easter during the week end.

Sells Holdings.
The Randolph Ward Company has sold its oil and gas holdings in Doddridge county to the Victoria Oil Company, of New York City. The Randolph-Ward Company is a local firm and is composed of J. F. Randolph and A. E. Ward and has successfully operated some leases in Greenbrier district, Doddridge county and has under lease over 300 acres and eight wells producing oil and gas well. The new owners will proceed to further develop this property and make additional locations. They have also purchased other valuable holdings in

ago said that William Barnes, of New York state, had come out for Colonel Roosevelt for the Republican nomination for president. It is to be hoped that the colonel can overcome this obstacle to his candidacy.

Crooping in our mental darkness, we had always imagined that Woodrow Wilson was a Democrat. Samuel G. Blythe, political writer for the Saturday Evening Post, in an article published in that periodical a short time ago, however, enlightens us to the extent that Mr. Wilson has deserted the Democratic party. He says: "The only Democratic certainty is that the president will be renominated at Chicago."

As the Republican and Progressive parties are the only political organizations which are to hold conventions in Chicago, we would like to know which of these parties Mr. Wilson has joined.

Pirates Win Yesterday from Cincy.
—Headline in Fairmont Times.
Which impels us to remark that we were sick tomorrow.

Convenient.
(Advertisement in the Coshockton, O., News-Age.)
WANTED—10 acre farm on paved road. Must be within two miles of a saloon.

No Attack on Verdun Last Night.
—Headline in Moundsville Journal.
This newspaper seems to have overlooked the fact that San Marino did not declare war on the United States the same night.

REALISM IN THE MOVIES.

SANTA BARBARA, Calif., (Special)—In order to get the proper amount of thrills in "The Colonel's Daughter," now being filmed at the Sallap studios for release on the Ortem program, Miss Marguerite Rain was compelled to breathe real air. The air was imported from Persia at a cost of over \$1,000,000. After her thrilling experience, Miss Rain consented to be interviewed. "I only did my duty," she said modestly. "It's all in a day's work. The patrons of the moving picture houses demand thrills and I am willing to do most anything to satisfy the demand."

The Thrill of Things.
(From the Verd, Kan., Napier.)
This has been a gray, glad week for the boys at Muscatoh, Kas. Just when the skating was at its best everywhere the school house burned down.

SOME OF THESE DAYS.
Detroit will hand T. Cobb his unconditional release.
Benny Kauff will declare that he is a back number.
And Hans Wagner will still be hitting 300.

this county.

Accepts Position.
H. J. Cross, a local business man, an dthe city recorder for several years, has accepted a position with a woolen mills and tailoring company of Parkersburg. He also carries a new organization. He left the last week to take charge of the new line of work. Mr. H. F. Bacheler will have charge of his business here. Mr. Cross resigned as recorder of the city and T. B. Gilbert has been chosen by the city council to fill the vacancy.

Starkey-Richards.
Mr. Glenn B. Starkey and Miss Sylvia Richards were married at the bride's home on Buckeye last Saturday afternoon. Pastor Bond performed the ceremony.
Mr. Starkey is employed by the Salem Lumber Company. They will make their home in West Salem.

Infant Dead.
The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Noah J. Booher died Friday night from pneumonia, resulting from measles. The funeral and burial occurred Saturday morning.

Voters Attacked.
A concentrated and persistent attack was made on the Republican voters here the last week by a phalanx of aspirants for county office and it became evident that the political campaign was on in earnest. The following were here in one day: J. M. Knox and L. W. Ogden, for sheriff; Dr. J. H. Rinehart, S. R. Harrison and G. W. Sturme for legislature; and Charles Randall for assessor.

A few candidates were also noticed here from Doddridge county, who use this point as an operating base.

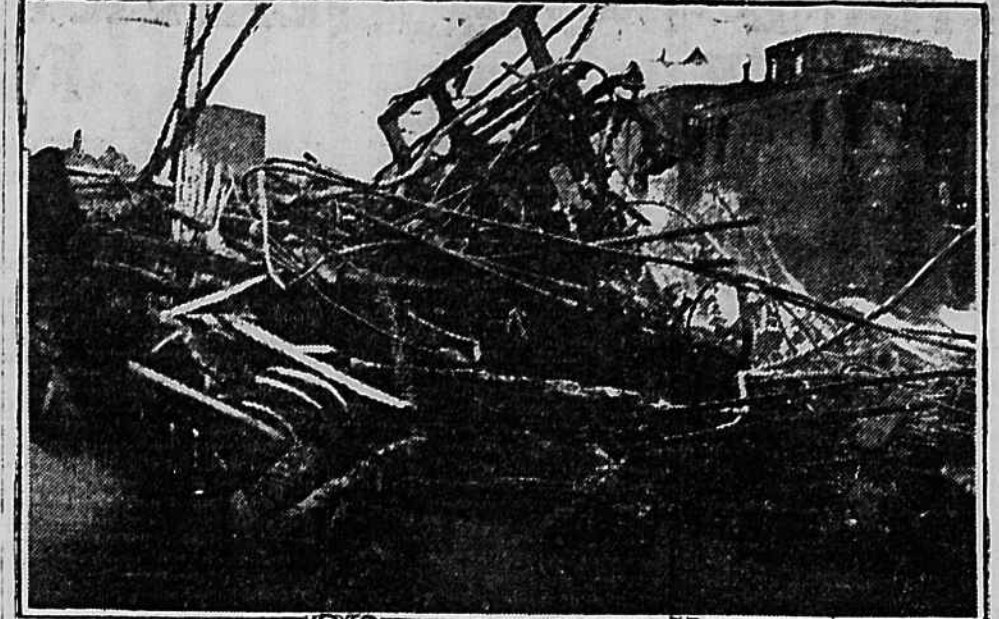
Final Number.
The final number of the local lecture course will occur next Saturday night. The peace lecture is to be delivered by the famous lecturer and editor, Doctor Hamilton Holt, editor of the Independent of New York. Salem people can deem themselves fortunate in being permitted to hear so distinguished a personage in their own city.

Personals.
Wilbur Galt, of Bridgeport, visited relatives here this week.
Mrs. C. E. Meridith and daughter are guests of relatives at Morgantown until after Easter.

FAMILIES TAKEN OVER.

LONDON, April 22.—Nearly 1,500 widows, wives and children of Canadian soldiers at the front have been brought to England in the last few months. Many came here to be nearer their husbands and because living is cheaper than in Canada. Still others came to work in munitions factories.

WRECK ON NEW HAVEN FATAL; WOODEN COACH BURNED TO CINDERS



These pictures illustrate the latest railway disaster, on the New Haven road at Bradford, Long Island. Upper photo shows wreckage of last car of accommodation train, in which several were killed. Note how wooden coach burned to cinders. Lower photo shows wrecking train clearing up debris.

SIX MILLION INDIANS LIVE IN AMERICA NOW

More of Them Within Original Mexico Than Ever Existed at One Time.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—There are more Indians living today within the territory originally comprising Mexico than ever existed at any one time in all the rest of the western hemisphere combined, according to a bulletin just issued by the National Geographic Society of Washington. Of the 15,000,000 inhabitants of Mexico fully thirty-eight per cent are pure Indians, and forty-three per cent of mixed blood, only nineteen per cent whites," continues the bulletin.

"These six million Indians, many of whom are descendants of that wonderful race the Aztecs, are divided into many linguistic families and tribes, the numbers varying according to the standards of differentiation adopted by each ethnologist. Some authorities group them into fourteen families, with fifty-one languages and sixty-nine dialects, while others make sixteen family divisions, subdivided into one hundred and thirty-two tribes.

Some Highly Developed.
"The degrees of civilization to be found among the many tribes are astonishing, ranging from the abject Seri Indians of Sonora, as pitifully undeveloped as the Indians of Terra del Fuego, to the highly developed and splendid specimens of manhood among the Nahuatl and Maya tribes.

"The finest examples of aboriginal civilization on the North American continent were to be found in the neighborhood of the present City of Mexico, with the possible exception of that prehistoric race of the Yucatan builders whose ruins dot the Yucatan peninsula. It was on the site of the capital that the Toltecs left their imprint 650 A. D. to the twelfth century when the Chichimecs, a crude tribe, replaced them, not by conquest but because the Toltecs died out, some antiquarians attributing their gradual disappearance to the ravages of pulque, the insidious drink that has ever been the curse of that country.

"Then came the highly civilized Aztecs, and a few years later, before the opening of the thirteenth century, the Aztec began to pour in, leaving in their wake, as they came up the plateau, the remarkable structures now known as the ruins of Casas Grandes. They built Tula, fifty miles north of Mexico City, and eventually founded Tenochtitlan, on a selected for them by the gods, according to legend, the sign being an eagle perched on a clump of cacti, with a serpent in its talons. It is this sign which remains today the national emblem, appearing both on the coins and on the flag of Mexico.

Interesting Legend.
"One of the most interesting legends about the tribes from which the Indians of today are descended is that recorded on the Colhuas, who are supposed to have enslaved the Aztecs during the latter's migratory march up the plateau. The conquerors soon released their enemies because they were horrified at the Aztecs' custom of offering human sacrifices to their gods.

"It was largely to the co-operation of the Tlaxcalans, a neighboring tribe, that Cortez owed his triumph over the Aztecs. The latter were as brave and as chivalrous soldiers as were the Spanish adventurers who enjoyed the decisive advantage of gunpowder and horses, both of which were unknown to the natives. The generosity of the Aztecs as fighting men is exemplified in a single incident. Learning that the enemy was without food, the Mexicans dispatched an ample supply of provisions, because they scorned to fight

PAJAMAS SHOCK A NEW YORK "COPPER"

Nothing in Rules to Cover the Case but He Hands Out Some Advice.

NEW YORK, April 22.—If there is one thing on which the police department rule book is silent, it is the Chinese national costume.

The policeman on duty at Seventy-second street and Columbus avenue was cogitating on the increased cost of spuds, the probable income of the Fifth avenue bus which just missed three children and the possible menu for his next dinner, when he gave a regular policeman's gasp. This is a long drawn wheeze, ending in a sigh, and means, "Well, what have we here?"

What was had there was a slim, slant eyed young woman wearing a fox terrier by a leash and a crowd of interested ones through curiosity. She wore a pink and blue striped suit of pajamas and bronze beaded slippers and she appeared as much at ease as if she were powdering her nose in her boudoir.

Other Girls in Regular Costume.
"Here, here!" called the policeman, sternly, "what's this?" and he held up his hand to halt the young woman. She gave him a Chinese stare and dropped behind to permit two young women in regular costumes to step forward.

"What do you want?" one asked. "We are the Misses Madeline and Alice Liebert, daughters of the French consul general, and this is our maid."
"Sure," said the policeman. "That's all right, miss, and a nice girl she is, too, but she can't go around with them things on. Why don't she dress?"
"That is her native dress. She is Chinese," said Miss Alice.
"Then pants!" gasped the man.
"Where's her skirts?"
"Found No Precedent."
"Pants!" gasped the man, the young woman.
The policeman groped for some

TRIBUTES PAID TO RETIRING JUSTICE

Court of Claims Attorneys Praise Services of Judge G. W. Atkinson.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—The Washington Times contained the following upon the retirement of Judge George W. Atkinson from the United States court of claims bench this week:

Tribute to Judge George W. Atkinson as jurist, lawyer, legislator and citizen was paid in the United States court of claims by members of the bar of that tribunal on the occasion of the retirement of Justice Atkinson to private life.

Chief Justice Edward K. Campbell and the associate justices occupied the bench and Justice Charles B. Howry, retired, also sat with the court.

Resolutions of regret, drafted by the bar association of the court of claims, were presented by Attorney Harry Peyton. Remarks extolling the life and service of Justice Atkinson were made by Assistant Attorney General Houston Thompson, Solicitor General John W. Davis and Attorney Richard R. McMahon. The chief justice responded and the closing remarks were made by Justice Atkinson, who retires to private life at his home in West Virginia, after eleven years in the court of claims.

Mr. Davis and Mr. McMahon, citizens of West Virginia, referred to the life of Justice Atkinson as emblematic of the highest ideals of citizenship.

"He will be welcomed back to private life of his own state as the head of the great army of private citizens of the commonwealth," Mr. Davis said.

"Judge Atkinson has not only held the standard of life high, but he always has raised it," declared Mr. McMahon, who said that Justice Atkinson has "robbed the earth only of its sorrow."

Mr. Thompson touched on the service of Judge Atkinson on the bench of the court of claims, extolling his legal attainments of the jurist, his ever courteous reception of trial lawyers and his desire always to give litigants the careful attention his position demanded.

Chief Justice Campbell expressed the regret felt by the bench in losing Justice Atkinson, and expressed confidence his usefulness would be given the commonwealth of West Virginia in the same measure that has marked his service on the bench.

Justice Atkinson expressed gratitude for the many kindnesses shown him by court attaches and practitioners of the court of claims during his eleven years on the bench, and paid his respects to the chief justice and associate justices.

The resolutions of the bar association expressed appreciation of the kindness shown by Justice Atkinson during his service and wished him happiness and success in any field of labor in which he might engage.

SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

PEKING, April 22.—Mrs. Howard Gould is in Peking for the purpose of establishing a school for Chinese girls in which the Montessori method will be used. Mrs. Gould recently had an interview with the minister of education, and is co-operating with a number of missionaries in educational work. She will finance the new school, which will serve as a model for Chinese teachers.

NO FEMALE HELP.

LIVERPOOL, April 22.—Owing to the refusal of the members of the dockers union to work with women, all the female helpers recently employed by the Liverpool Dock Commission have been withdrawn.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Heavy and persistent selling pressure was again highly effective during today's two-hour session. Trading was by far the largest of any recent week-end, approximately 600,000 shares, and the German and Mexican crisis were again the factors around which the feverish market centered. Special stocks, that description applying more directly to the munitions, equipments, minor industrials and oils, were steadily liquidated, with few exceptions recording lowest prices of the year. In general these issues are thirty to fifty points under last year's best quotations.

Among the weaker issues were General Motor, which fell 20 to 410; Mexican Petroleum, 10 to 83; United States Industrial Alcohol, 6 to 137; Crucible Steel, 7 1/2 to 75; Baldwin Locomotive 6 1/2 to 84; Studebaker, 7 to 121 1/2; American Smelting, 6 to 8 1/2; Greene Cananea, 5 to 41 1/2; Texas Company, 5 to 180; American Car, 5 1/2 to 55 and various others of that class, 3 to 5 points.

United States Steel, which outstripped all other stocks in volume of offerings, manifested some steadiness at first, but fell back, 2 to 80, as the selling movement gathered greater momentum. Rails were immune for a time, but the same cause was operative in that quarter later.

DUN'S REVIEW.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Dun's Review in its issue today has this to say regarding trade conditions: "All elements considered, it is remarkable that business continues so large in volume. International complications—intensified by the developments of the week, fail to shake confidence or to check progress, nor have the extremely high costs of diminished consumption buying. The magnitude of the general and extensive rise in prices, becomes more noteworthy in transactions, though not